Continuing Medical Education (CME) Opportunities

There are many smallpox continuing medical education opportunities available. Webbased medical information is readily available to all Indiana clinicians. The enclosed one-page "Guide to Smallpox Information" provides you with the possibility of reviewing excellent quality presentations at any time.

Also available is a CDC-sponsored brochure, Smallpox Vaccination Method & Reactions, which has excellent color photographs that show the steps in vaccination, the normal responses to primary vaccination and to revaccination, and possible serious adverse events that might occur in vaccinees. Professional medical/specialty societies have received copies of this brochure for distribution to their members.

The ISDH, in cooperation with Indiana Hospital&Health Association, is making available to Indiana hospitals a video based on a recent program offered by the US Army "Smallpox Recognition and Response". The video is 54 minutes in length and was first broadcast in a longer version on November 6, 2002. It features two physicians who have had extensive experience in evaluating vaccination adverse events, diagnosing smallpox cases, and treating smallpox patients. Please contact the medical education office of your nearest hospital to learn when a viewing of this video will be schedules.

If there are any questions about medical issues relating to the smallpox vaccination plan, please contact Charlene Graves, M.D., by calling (317) 233-7164, or by e-mail at cgraves@isdh.state.in.us.